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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Civil Action No. 2:22-cv-5746-CCC-SDA

Plaintiff,

vs.

LAKELAND BANK,

Defendant.

**CERTIFICATION OF JEHAN A. PATTERSON, ESQ. IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION**

I, Jehan A. Patterson, Esq., of full age, hereby certify as follows:

1. I am an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey, the State of New York, and the District of Columbia, and I am admitted to practice before this Court, the United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, and the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia

Circuit. I am of counsel at the law firm of Covington & Burling LLP, counsel of record for defendant Lakeland Bank (“Lakeland”).¹

2. I make this Certification in support of Lakeland’s motion to have Nikhil V. Gore, Esq. admitted to this Court *pro hac vice* in this matter.

3. As indicated in his accompanying certification, Mr. Gore certified that he is a member in good standing of the Bars of the District of Columbia, New York, and Massachusetts, and is an attorney with the law firm of Covington & Burling LLP in Washington, DC. His certification otherwise meets the requirements of the Local Civil Rules for the District of New Jersey.

4. I have agreed to work with Mr. Gore and to be responsible for the conduct of this case and ensure that the requirements of L. Civ. R. 101.1(c) are met. I will sign all pleadings and appear at court conferences. All opposing counsel may communicate with me, and all papers regarding this matter may be served upon me as lead counsel.

5. If admitted, Mr. Gore will contribute to the New Jersey Client Protection Fund in accordance with Local Rule 101.1(c)(2), and will continue to do so as required by the Court Rules.

6. Counsel for plaintiff the United States of America consents to the *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Gore in this matter.

¹ Lakeland Bank was acquired by Provident Bank on May 16, 2024.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

DATED: June 13, 2025

By: s/ Jehan A. Patterson

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